# There Ought To Be A Law

## Project Learning Tree Activity #58

### **Program of Studies**

#### Social Studies:

- SS-4-GC-2 (Students will recognize the three levels of government.)
- SS-4-GC-3 (Students will identify the branches of government at each level and recognize the offices associated with the branches.)
- SS-5-GC-1 (Students will recognize the basic purpose of democratic governments including the establishment of order, security, and the attainment of common goals.)
- SS-5-GC-2 (Students will understand that the Constitution of the United States establishes a government in which powers are shared among different levels and branches.)
- SS-5-GC-3 (Students will understand that, in a democratic society, citizens have rights and responsibilities.)

#### **Core Content**

#### Social Studies:

- SS-E-1.1.2 (The purpose of a government's rules and laws (e.g., U.S. Constitution, school rules) is to establish and maintain order.)
- SS-E-1.2.1(The three levels of government are local, state, and national.)
- SS-E-1.2.2 (The three branches of government at each level are legislative (propose bills/make laws), executive (carry out or enforce laws), and judicial (interpret laws).)
- SS-M-1.2.1(The U.S. Constitution separates power among the legislative, executive, and judicial branches to prevent the concentration of political power and to establish a system of checks and balances.)